It may be adopted in our State also in order to afford facilities to those who would go to England for industrial training, etc.

Dewan.—A Committee has been formed to consider the whole question of scholarships and Government will be glad to consider any recommendations they may make in the matter.

SUBJECT No: 112.

Encouragement to merchants and agriculturists for Foreign study.

Messrs. M. Ramachandra Rao Sindhe, and K. B. Puttappa, Mysore Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Ramachandra Rao Sindhe.—Just as a deputation of merchants was recently sent to Japan, more merchants and agriculturists may be afforded facilities to go to foreign countries for training in paper industry, workshop training, etc.

Mr. Abbas Khan.—Foreign scholarships are usually given only to Graduates while persons who are prepared to go abroad for industrial and other training are merchants who are generally non-graduates. We request that these also be given foreign scholarships.

First Member of Council.—Rules make provision for the grant of scholarships even to non-graduates in deserving cases. The instances referred to by some of the members were cases which were not recommended by the Committee.

Dewan.—Government have no objection to sanction the recommendations made by the Committee. The question of affording encouragement to merchants and agriculturists for foreign study may be considered later on.

Mr. Krishna Sastry.—In this connection, I beg to suggest that the period of deputation be further extended since after finishing all theory, students will have to undergo apprenticeship in order to know business secrets. Otherwise, mere book-work will be all that can be expected of our scholars.

Chief Secretary to Government.—There is provision for extending the period of deputation.

SUBJECT No. 113.

Admission of Non-Brahmin students into Sanskrit Schools and Colleges.

Messrs. (1) Kharidi Linappa Setty and B. N. M. Sivalingappiah, Kadur Taluk and (2) G. Paramasivaiya, Mysore Lingayet Eduction Fund Association and Venkatamuniah Setty, Arya Vaisya Maha Sabha, Bangalore.

Mr. G. Paramasiva Iya.—Government have been taking very great interest in educational matters But the report of the Select Committee which was appointed to consider the question of Sanskrit education shows that much more money is required for carrying it on and also that communities which wanted to benefit by Sanskrit education have had some disappointment. When last this question was discussed in the Legislative Council, some of the members observed that teaching Vedas may not be a pleasing duty to the teachers in Sanskrit schools and colleges. But will it be too much to say, in this connection, that some non-

brahmins are at this moment capable of teaching the Vedas and need we wonder if they themselves were taught by Brahmin pandits? While this is the case, are Government quite justified in refusing admission to students of other castes into these institutions? And, can pandits paid by Government for their labours refuse tuition to one class of His Highness's subjects? With a view to please a few pandits, can Government allow any continuance of the serious injustice now caused to a vast majority of the people? Representations are too frequently made in this matter. As has just now been said by another member, in educational matters, Government should not differentiate between one class and another; and happily this has been their object now much more than ever.

Second Member of Council.—Government have appointed a Committee to consider this question in all its aspects. Their report will soon be submitted and Government will pass early orders thereon. Any representation that may be made even after that will be duly considered by Government. If necessary, Government will appoint representatives of other communities to this Committee.

Mr. Paramasiva Iya.—The Board which conducts examinations in Sanskrit for the two Sanskrit Colleges at Bangalore and Mysore issues a circular every year to the effect that only Brahmins and Jains are eligible for sitting for the examinations. Until the orders of Government are passed on the general question of Sanskrit education, non-Brahmin students may be allowed to appear at least for the examinations just now referred to.

Second Member of Council.—Government will soon pass orders on all these points.

SUBJECT NO. 114

Concessions to poor students.

Messrs. (1) Venkatamuuiah Setty, Arya Vaisya Maha Sabha, Bangalore and (2) K. Subbaraya Chetty, Bowringpet Taluk.

Mr. Venkatamuniah Setty.—Students that are fed in free boarding homes established by different communities may be given preference for admission into Schools and Colleges and they may all be given freeships. Many of these will be obliged to discontinue their studies if they do not get freeships, as they are unable to pay fees.

Inspector-General of Education.—According to the rules in force, 25 per cent of the students will be given freeships. Head-Masters of schools use their discretion and give freeships to those who are deserving both by merit and poverty.